

**Petition of Mubarak Shah, Chief Police Officer of the  
City, on the reverse of the above Order, dated 24th  
July 1857**

To—The King, &c.

The explanation called for by this order is submitted in a separate petition, which is enclosed. Petition of the slave, Mubarak Shah, Chief Police Officer of the City of Delhi.

*Enclosure referred to in the above Petition of Syad Muhammad Shah,  
dated 24th July 1857*

To—The King ! Shelter of the World !

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,—That Your Majesty's order, to the effect that five prisoners despatched from the Chief Police Office of the City had reached, and that of these, the files of

the cases of Gumani and Rahim Ulla are in the Office of the Royal Court of Justice, but that those of Harsukh, Ghulam Ali and Khuda Bakhsh have not been found, and therefore, directing that, if any receipt of the Royal Court is forthcoming in this Office it be submitted; and further enjoining that in future cases, the usual form of committal, the plaintiff, and the proofs of guilt be sent with the prisoners, has been received. Your Exalted Highness, the particulars are these. Harsukh was apprehended by the subordinate Police Officer of Allahabad, on suspicion of obtaining his livelihood by evil practices, and was sent to this Police Station as a character of this sort; but as there was no plaintiff, and no stolen property was found in his possession, no papers were prepared in his case. As regards Ghulam Ali (so called through a clerical error, his correct name being Ghulam Muhammad) the particulars are these. He was sent to me, from the Chandni Chowk Police Station, with a written statement of the case, against him, to wit, that the following stolen property had been found in his possession :

Brass Vessels, the property of Jammanji Cashmiri.

Sheep and Goatskin shoes, belonging to Muhammad Ali, seller of shoes, clothes and other things, the property of Ghulam Haidar Khan.

In the investigation, at the Chief Police Station, the charge having been conclusively proved by the written statement of the subordinate Police Officer, by the testimony of witnesses, and by Ghulam Ali's own confession, the property was made over to the claimants on their several receipts, their ownership being first fully ascertained, and a full statement of the case, together with the papers received from the subordinate Police Station, was forwarded to your Majesty. In reference to the prisoner, in this case, it was specifically mentioned in my report, that he had formerly been a Watchman in the division of the City known as the Turkoman, but that the Clerk of the Chandni Chowk Police Office had, on his own authority, removed him to the front of the Ashrafi-ka-Kutra. Perhaps, the Clerk approved of these services of the Watchman! Accordingly, a copy of this report is present in the book of

copies, amongst the petition from the Police Station, for the 15th July 1857. With advertence to the case of Khudā Bakhsh, on a reference to the Diary of the Police Station, it is ascertained from the entry for the 17th July 1857, that Khuda Buksh, Trooper, apprehended the prisoner, as one engaged in evil practices for a livelihood, and brought him to this Station, affirming that he, the Trooper, had lent a pistol to one Nunneh, son of Kaulia Khan, mendicant, that the prisoner had forcibly taken the pistol from Nunneh, and ran off with it, and that from that day he had been in hiding, and had only now been seized. This was the Trooper's charge, and it was confirmed by the testimony of Kaulia Khan, mendicant. The report in this case was forwarded to the presence of His Highness, the Commander-in-Chief, Sahib Mirza Moghal Bahadur, in view to orders being issued, but none have as yet been received. It is further submitted that search having been made in the Office of the Police Station, no receipt of the Royal Court on account of the papers in this case, could be found. The reason is that, frequently, when papers are forwarded, no receipts are given from the Royal Court, and it is accordingly a matter which cannot be helped. Such as the particulars were, they are submitted. For the future, great care will be observed, and when a prisoner is forwarded, the form of committal, the plaintiff and the proofs will be sent at the same time. All the subordinate Police Officers of the City have been made acquainted with the orders on this subject and will carefully conform to them. (Prayers for the prosperity of the reign). Petition of the slave, Syad Mubarak Shah, Police Officer of the City of Delhi, attested with the Seal of the Chief Police Office of the seat of Government, "Shajahanabad".

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